



July 12, 2007

Mr. Derek Poarch
Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau Chief
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Petition for Rulemaking of LoJack Corporation
(WT Docket No. 06-142) (RM-11135)

Dear Chief Poarch:

The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department supports the above referenced Petition for Rulemaking filed by the LoJack Corporation requesting that the Commission expand the permitted uses, and modify the technical requirements for police and public safety operations on 173.075 MHz.

The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department is an organization of more than 1,600 sworn officers and more than 400 civilian employees. The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department provides law enforcement functions across 438 square miles for a population of more than 1.5 million people in the City of Charlotte and the unincorporated areas of Mecklenburg County.

As described in their petition, LoJack Corporation has informed us that it seeks rules changes to allow it to provide public safety entities with additional services that will help these entities function better. Lojack also seeks changes to the technical rules that, in addition to facilitating these additional services, according to the Company, will enable it to improve the performance of its stolen vehicle recovery network and to compensate for the effects of converting to narrowband operations. We believe LoJack Corporation's proposed network enhancement will benefit our Department.

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The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department utilizes the LoJack System to assist in the recovery of stolen vehicles and we have 52 patrol units and two aircrafts equipped with LoJack's Police Tracking Computers. On a day-to-day basis the officers in these vehicles and aircrafts are monitoring the LoJack System as it scans the area for signals emanating from LoJack-equipped stolen vehicles. This technology has improved our recovery rates and has increased our ability to apprehend offenders.

The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department could benefit from LoJack's proposed new services and technical changes, including the ability to activate LoJack car units by commercial mobile telephone facilities.

We are increasingly concerned about the movement of possible hazardous and dangerous cargoes in and through Charlotte, North Carolina. LoJack's cargo-tracking devices, as proposed, could enable us to track and recover stolen cargo that could threaten public safety. LoJack Corporation has proposed establishing a police-operated national database of LoJack-equipped containers cargoes which can be queried by any law enforcement agency in the United States.

We also support LoJack's proposal to include additional public safety and security features in its network. In addition to stolen vehicle recovery, LoJack Corporation may provide automatic notification of a severe traffic accident, including the location of the accident, directly to public safety agencies. The network may also indicate the need for emergency medical or other assistance as appropriate.

We respectfully ask the Commission to approve the rule changes requested by LoJack Corporation.

Sincerely,



Darrel W. Stephens
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